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TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Gail Farber *Gail Farber*
Director of Public Works

BOARD MOTION OF JUNE 6, 2012 AGENDA ITEMS 73 AND 84 COUNTY GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS CODE

On June 6, 2012, your Board continued Agenda Items 73 and 84 for 60 days and directed the Department of Public Works to, within 14 days, update the cost-effectiveness study to account for expected increases in the cost of electricity and include all affected building types in that analysis and post the information on several County websites. In addition, your Board requested that within the next 30 days, analyze whether, in order to remain consistent with the intent of Los Angeles County's existing green building ordinance, all residential developments of more than four units should be required to comply with Cal Green Tier 1 and prepare an alternative version of the ordinance that includes this requirement.

This motion was discussed at the June 14, 2012, Planning Deputies meeting. Subsequently, the updated cost-effectiveness study was completed and the information was shared and discussed with the Board's Deputies. We are currently finishing up the analysis to compare Cal Green Tier 1 with the third party rating system compliance measures contained in the existing County green building ordinance. At this time, we are requesting additional time to complete the analysis. We expect to complete our analysis and report our findings back to your Board by August 8, 2012.

In order to provide adequate time for our analysis and findings to be shared and evaluated by all interested parties, we are also requesting that Agenda Items 73 and 84 be continued to August 28, 2012.

If you have any questions, please call me or your staff may contact Dennis Hunter at (626) 458-4006.

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cc: Chief Executive Office, County Counsel
Department of Regional Planning, Executive Office



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES HELD IN ROOM 381B
OF THE KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012**

Wednesday, June 6, 2012

9:30 AM

- 73.** Recommendation: Approve the introduction of an ordinance amending the County Code Title 31 - Green Building Standards Code, mandate updated green building, drought-tolerant landscaping, and energy requirements for new construction within the unincorporated areas of the County; and set June 26, 2012 for a public hearing to consider the proposed ordinance. **(Department of Public Works)** (Relates to Agenda No. 84) (12-2377)

Raj Patel, Superintendent of Building, Department of Public Works, responded to questions posed by the Board.

Supervisors Yaroslavsky and Ridley-Thomas made a motion to continue items 73 and 84 for 60 days to August 7, 2012; and instruct the Director of Public Works to:

- 1. Within 14 days, update the cost-effectiveness study to account for expected increases in the cost of electricity, and include all affected building types in that analysis;**
- 2. Within the next 30 days, analyze whether, in order to remain consistent with the intent of Los Angeles County's existing green building ordinance, all residential developments of more than four units should be required to comply with Cal Green Tier 1, and prepare an alternative version of the ordinance that includes this requirement; and**
- 3. Post updated cost-effectiveness information within 14 days to green.lacounty.gov and the websites of the Departments of Regional Planning and Public Works, and that a summary of the updated cost-effectiveness information be included within the updated Board letter.**

Supervisor Antonovich made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Yaroslavsky, that the Board direct County Counsel to work with the Departments of Regional Planning and Public Works, to identify the green building provisions in Title 22 and report back to the Board on which, if any, of these provisions are legally enforceable. For those green building provisions in Title 22 that are legally enforceable and are in conflict with Title 31, provide an explanation of how the departments propose to enforce those provisions going forward.

After discussion, on motion of Supervisor Yaroslavsky, seconded by Supervisor Ridley-Thomas, this item was continued 60 days to August 7, 2012, with the following amendments:

1. Instruct the Director of Public Works to:

- Within 14 days, update the cost-effectiveness study to account for expected increases in the cost of electricity, and include all affected building types in that analysis;**
- Within the next 30 days, analyze whether, in order to remain consistent with the intent of Los Angeles County's existing green building ordinance, all residential developments of more than four units should be required to comply with Cal Green Tier 1, and prepare an alternative version of the ordinance that includes this requirement; and**
- Post updated cost-effectiveness information within 14 days to green.lacounty.gov and the websites of the Departments of Regional Planning and Public Works, and that a summary of the updated cost-effectiveness information be included within the updated Board letter; and**

2. Direct County Counsel to work with the Departments of Regional Planning and Public Works, to identify the green building provisions in Title 22 and report back to the Board on which, if any, of these provisions are legally enforceable. For those green building provisions in Title 22 that are legally enforceable and are in conflict with Title 31, provide an explanation of how the departments propose to enforce those provisions going forward.

Ayes: 5 - Supervisor Molina, Supervisor Ridley-Thomas, Supervisor Knabe, Supervisor Antonovich and Supervisor Yaroslavsky

Attachments: Board Letter
 Motion by Supervisors Yaroslavsky and Ridley-Thomas
 Motion by Supervisor Antonovich
 Report

The foregoing is a fair statement of the proceedings of the regular meeting held June 6, 2012, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies and authorities for which said Board so acts.

Sachi A. Hamai, Executive Officer
Executive Officer-Clerk
of the Board of Supervisors

By Sachi A. Hamai